

13 March 1946

Dear Daddy -

I wrote as some length to Mother of the 8 I last night after I had received your letter. I tried to tell her how I felt concerning my getting to Boston - for I wholly agree with the idea you outlined in your letter. There would seem to be little reason for my taking leave, which means giving up the school, unless Mother wants me. I can't help but feel that trying as this seems experience may be, we certainly are facing it and taking it under as entirely new set of conditions.

My plan then is this - since this course is predominantly physical training, I am going to be in real shape this weekend. Probably very stiff and sore. My idea is to go to Richmond and check the travel picture - make plane reservations if necessary to NYC or to Boston - so that the weekend after that I can spend some time with you. You can understand that unless I plan the trip, I will not have much time with Mother and I will lose day or so as to endanger my status in the course. I will plan to visit you at length from Richmond this weekend when I know the story. From your letter, I gather that you concure in this idea.

OK for now. I know that Dad will give Mother the strength and confidence to come through with flying colors. And I

Know that you and Helen Barbara with your cheer
and helpfulness will be major factors in Mother's
recovery. and if prayers and hopes are effectual, then
my wishes insure Mother's return to complete health.

My love to you and to Helen Barbara - my best
to Uncle Sam & Aunt Delina -

Sumner

Regards to Mrs. Emery and Miss Robinson
Regards to Doris